HOUSE BILL 4106

By Bass

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 16, Part 4, relative to misconduct by a probation and parole officer

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 16, Part 4 is amended by adding the following language as a new appropriately designated section:

§ 39-16-4___.

- (a) For purposes of this section, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (1) "Probation and parole officer" means a probation and parole officer as defined § 40-28-102(7); and
- (2) "Probationer or Parolee" means any individual who is placed on probation or parole, as those terms are defined in § 40-28-102 and who is under the active supervision of the board. For the purpose of this section only, "probationer or parolee" does not include the lawful spouse of a probation and parole officer who is placed under the supervision of the board subsequent to the marriage.
- (b) It is an offense for a probation and parole officer to engage in sexual contact or sexual penetration, as such terms are defined in § 39-13-501, with a probationer or parolee who is under the supervision of the board of probation and parole.
 - (c) A violation of this section is a Class E felony.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.